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MUNICIPAL NOTIFICATION.

No. 2075.

ELECTRICITY DEPARTMENT.

THE Council is prepared to receive tenders for the supply of :—

14 Electric motors from 5 to 20 h.p.

Specifications may be obtained upon application to the Electrical Engineer, Mr. T. H. U. Aldridge, at the Electricity Works, 31 Fearon Road, upon payment of Tls. 25 deposit, which will be returned upon the receipt of a bonâ fide tender.

Sealed tenders must be forwarded to the undersigned not later than noon on Tuesday, January 31, 1911.

The Council does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender, or to pay any expenses which may be incurred in tendering.

The names of tenderers with the prices quoted will be published for general information.

By order,

W. E. LEVESON,
Secretary.

Council Room,
Shanghai, December 8, 1910.

MUNICIPAL NOTIFICATION.

No. 2080.

TRAFFIC.

THE Bund, between the Canton Road and the Yangkingpang, will be closed to vehicular traffic between the hours of 11.45 a.m. and 12.30 p.m. on Friday, January 6, in connexion with the opening of the new Shanghai Club. The carriages of guests will be admitted to the main entrance.

By order,

W. E. LEVESON,
Secretary.

Council Room,
Shanghai, January 5, 1911.

MUNICIPAL NOTIFICATION.

No. 2081.

PUBLIC SCHOOL.

THE School will re-assemble after the Christmas holidays on Monday, January 9, at 9 o'clock a.m.

The names of new pupils should be sent to the Headmaster not later than Saturday, January 7, on which day new pupils themselves should attend at 10 a.m. for examination and admission.

Copies of the Prospectus, Syllabus and further information may be obtained from the Headmaster.

By order,

W. E. LEVESON,
Secretary.

Council Room,
Shanghai, January 5, 1911.

AT the meeting of the Council held on Wednesday, December 28, 1910, at 4.30 p.m., there are present :

Messrs. D. Landale *(Chairman)*
H. J. Craig
H. De Gray
H. Figge
H. A. J. Macray
C. Selby Moore
W. A. C. Platt
T. E. Trueman
The Secretary and
Assistant Secretary.

The summons calling the meeting is taken as read.

The minutes of the last meeting are read, confirmed, signed by the Chairman and passed for publication.

Resignation of Member.

A letter from Mr. H. Du F. Hutchison is read, containing the resignation of his seat on the Council, and it is decided to reply accepting the same with regret.

Shanghai, December 28, 1910.

DEAR SIR,—On the 23rd instant I informed you of my resignation in consequence of my viewing the contents of the Watch Committee's minutes of the 19th passed by the Council on the 21st as a vote of censure on action I deemed it my duty to take in reference to the trouble with the Sikhs. This will serve to confirm in writing for record, the resignation I then definitely tendered you as Chairman.

Yours faithfully,
HERBERT D. HUTCHISON.

The CHAIRMAN,
Municipal Council.

Council Room,
Shanghai, December 29, 1910.

SIR,—I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of December 28, confirming the resignation of your seat on the Council which you tendered verbally on December 23.

In reply thereto, I am to inform you that the Council has accepted your resignation with regret.

Re-perusal of the minutes to which you refer does not, so far as the Council is concerned, disclose any minute indicative of censure on the action which you took in regard to the insubordination in the Sikh Branch of the Police Force in July last, and I am directed to add that no suggestion of such censure has occurred to the Watch Committee.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,
W. E. LEVESON,
Secretary.

H. DU F. HUTCHISON, Esq.

The Council is precluded from publishing the minutes to which Mr. Hutchison refers by the fact that they are of a highly confidential character.

This resignation taking place so near the end of the year, it is decided to allow the vacancy now created to remain unfilled.

Dinner to Sir Pelham Warren.

From the minutes of the meeting of the Committee convened at the Council's invitation on December 23, the members learn of the arrangements for a public banquet to be given in honour of Sir Pelham Warren on January 14, and these arrangements meet with unanimous approbation.

Shanghai, December 24, 1910.

SIR,—I have the honour to inform you that the Council has invited a Committee, representative of the leading sections of the Foreign Community, to arrange a banquet in your honour at the Shanghai Club on January 14, upon your departure for home.

It is the Council's earnest hope that this public mark of recognition of your long service in the East in the interest of the Foreign Communities at the various Treaty Ports at which you have been posted, notably at Hankow and Shanghai, will be acceptable to you.

I have now the honour to extend to you on behalf of the Committee, whose names will be published in due course, its cordial invitation to be present as the guest at this banquet.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,
DAVID LANDALE,
Chairman.

SIR PELHAM WARREN, K.C.M.G.,
H.M. Consul-General and
Senior Consul.

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Shanghai, December 28, 1910.

SIR,—I have the honour to acknowledge with many thanks your letter informing me that a Committee has been asked by the Council to arrange a banquet to which I am to be invited as the guest, at the Shanghai Club on January 14.

I appreciate highly the invitation thus extended to me, and accept it with the greatest pleasure.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,
PELHAM L. WARREN.

DAVID LANDALE, Esq.,
Chairman, Municipal Council.

Volunteers.

Light Horse.—At the suggestion of the Commandant it is decided, by permission of the Race Club, to lease two of the Club's saddle-rooms for the housing of the saddlery of this Unit, at an annual rental of $88.

"*A*" *Company.*—In accordance with the recommendation of the Commandant, the Council sanctions the constitution of the Mounted Section of this Company as a separate Company, with effect so soon as the strength of the Section exceeds 30. For administrative purposes, interior economy, and all social functions, both Companies will form one Unit, whilst for tactical and defence purposes they will be separate. It is understood that little or no additional expense will be incurred by this change.

A second Report on this subject by Colonel Barnes is submitted, to the effect that the establishment of the Mounted Section of "A" Company is not calculated to have any appreciable effect on the status of, or recruiting in, the Light Horse, the functions and duties of the two Units not being the same.

The new Company when formed will be known as "A Company Mounted Rifles," and will have an authorized strength of one Captain, one Lieutenant or 2nd Lieutenant, and 41 Non-Commissioned Officers and men.

Police.

Foreign Branch.—The following are appointed Probationary Constables being a draft of five recruits engaged through the London Agents with the assistance of Colonel A. W. A. Pollock. These men arrived on December 28 per s.s. 'Sunda':—

H. P. Findlay
J. Griffin
E. King
J. C. Proudlock
G. Theobald.

The service of Warder Foster terminated on November 14.

Sikh Branch.—Major Davidson's Report on this subject is laid on the table, and it is directed that a copy be furnished to each member. The Watch Committee will hold a second meeting with Major Davidson on Friday next for the discussion of this Report and of the recommendations contained therein.

Ordure Contract.

Upon the recommendation of the Watch Committee, supporting that of the Health Officer, it is decided to renew the contract of Mr. Chu Chi-woo for this work for a further period of two years, in accordance with the provisions of Clause 12 of his current agreement.

Municipal Properties.

Rifle Range.—The purchase on behalf of the Council by Mr. A. E. Algar is noted of two additional pieces of unregistered land, required in connexion with the scheme for removing the Rifle Range northwards. For the first, area about Mow 2.5, the price is fixed at Tls.1,250 per mow: for the second, area about Mow 1.5, Tls. 1,150 per mow.

Road Extensions and Widenings.

Peking Road.—Negotiations have been concluded with the beneficial owner of Cadastral Lot 188 whereby the portion of the property scheduled for inclusion in the Peking Road will be surrendered for the lump sum of Tls. 27,225. The lot is at the corner of the Honan Road, and the improvement effected will be most marked. To minimise the difficulties of re-building, a slight modification has been sanctioned in the curved building line, and the area to be surrendered, as amended, is Mow 0.503. The destruction of about 42 native houses has been involved in this transaction, while the plan accompanying the application to re-build shows 35 houses only.

North Szechuen and Tiendong Roads.—Acceptance is authorized of the offer of the Lazarist Mission to surrender a small piece of land at the north-west corner of Cadastral Lot 800, for the improvement of these roads, at the assessed value, Tls. 20,000 per mow, a sum of Tls.60 for the Mow 0.003 involved.

Sinza Stone Bridge.

An offer by the Pao An Dong Benevolent Institution, conveyed through Messrs. F. L. Kow Kee & Co., to erect a temporary wooden bridge during the re-construction of the Stone Bridge is submitted. In reply, it is decided to accept this generous proposal provided the plan of the structure be approved, and the work in progress be supervised, by the Municipal Engineer. The bridge will be placed opposite the scheduled extension of the Myburgh Road, and the Council authorizes payment of any excess cost over and above such sum as the Institution intended to expend, out of the Public Funds:—

Shanghai, December 28, 1910.

DEAR SIR,—We beg to inform you that we are directed by The Committee of Pao An Dong Benevolent Institute to erect a wooden bridge temporary alongside the Sinza Stone bridge which was closed some months ago.

As soon as the new bridge is complete we will shaft off. With our best compliments for new season.

Yours faithfully,
F. L. KOW KEE & Co.

C. H. GODFREY, Esq.,
Municipal Engineer.

Council Room,
Shanghai, December 29, 1910.

GENTLEMEN,—I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of December 28, addressed to the Municipal Engineer, and, in reply thereto, to request that you will convey to the Pao An Dong Benevolent Institution an expression of the Council's appreciation of the generous proposal to provide a foot-bridge during the work of re-erection of the old Stone Bridge at Sinza. The Council has learnt with regret that no less than five lives have been lost owing to the unsatisfactory method by which the crossing of the Creek is at present effected, and welcomes therefore the proposal that a temporary wooden bridge be provided.

The plan enclosed in your letter shows a bridge which, in the opinion of the Council, requires certain alterations to render it safely available for public traffic. These, however, are matters which may be suitably arranged between yourselves and the Municipal Engineer, and I am directed to add that should any additional cost be involved, over and above the sum which it is the intention of the Pao An Dong to donate to this purpose, the Council will readily defray the surplus amount in question.

In conclusion, I am directed to point out that the Council desires that the temporary bridge may be at a sufficient distance from the present bridge to avoid obstruction to the work of re-erection hereafter, and therefore that it should be erected at the termination of the small alleyway which at present constitutes the continuation of the Myburgh Road.

I am, Gentlemen,
Your obedient servant,
W. E. LEVESON,
Secretary.

Messrs. F. L. KOW KEE & Co.

Translation of letter from F.L. Kow Kee & Co., dated December 31, 1910.

We have received your letter of December 29 on the subject of the Sinza Stone Bridge, and have taken note of its contents.

As to the alteration of the plan, and care in respect to the construction of the Bridge by the Municipal Engineer, these points receive the most willing consent of the Pao An Dong. As to any insufficiency of funds, this will be made good by this Institution. We are quite willing that the Bridge should be constructed at the termination of the alleyway.

We accordingly inform you of our views in reply to your letter, and trust you will be good enough to take note.

Lists of Ratepayers.
a (Eligible for the Council) and b (Entitled to Vote at Ratepayers' Meetings.)

These are submitted in draft and authorized for publication during the week. With regard to the latter, it is hoped that notice of any errors or omissions will be given by the concerned during the ensuing two months, so that the revised list to be issued in March may be as complete as possible.

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Public School.

The minutes of the meeting of the Public School Committee of December 22, are read and confirmed. There were present:—

Dr. R. S. Ivy (*Chairman*)
Messrs. D. E. J. Abraham
H. E. Campbell
H. De Gray
A. S. P. White-Cooper
The Acting Headmaster and
The Secretary

[*The minutes of this meeting relate chiefly to matters of internal organization and to the routine of management.*]

Evening Classes.—The Acting Headmaster recommends that these classes be abandoned for the current winter in view of the slight prospect of their success.

Inaugurated in 1905 they were found to lack support almost from their inception, and it became necessary on financial grounds to abandon the greater part of the syllabus, with the exception of instruction in Book-keeping and Building. In 1908 they were again revived under a scheme which offered the advantage of being experimental, and seemed justified in view of the apparent existence of some demand for instruction of this kind. Requirements were insufficient to warrant the appointment of instructors on definite terms, but a suitable arrangement was made whereby the work was undertaken by members of the School staff. The Committee accordingly authorized publication of an announcement setting forth the eighteen subjects which composed the syllabus, and laying down fees at the rates of $5 per mensem for one subject, and $3 per mensem for each additional subject (see Annual Report 1908, pp. 261 and 265). This renewed attempt was at first attended by considerable success and attained a brief popularity. In 1909, however, at the time for re-opening the classes, so few names of intending students were received, that they were found insufficient for the formation of the classes, and although a class for Book-keeping was eventually formed, it was discontinued after one month's duration.

In view of the almost consistent failure of these efforts the Acting Headmaster's recommendation is approved; and the matter will be brought to the attention of the General Educational Committee for its consideration, as evidence of the lack of sustained demand for such supplement to the ordinary primary education provided at foreign schools in the Settlement.

Holidays.—The Committee notes that the Christmas Holidays will extend from Wednesday, December 21, to Monday, January 9, 1911.

General Educational Committee.—With regard to the inquiries which are being made by this Committee from all schools in Shanghai, the Headmaster is directed to supply the information desired to the fullest extent possible.

The meeting adjourns at 5.30 p.m.

Notification of Infectious Disease.

The following have been reported during the week ending Sunday, Jan. 1, 1910.	Cases notified among Non-Chinese population of 13,770	Deaths among Chinese population of 492,000
Small-pox.	5	11
Cholera.	0	—
Typhoid Fever	0	9
Diphtheria.	0	2
Scarlet Fever.	1	1
Tuberculosis	1	14
Plague	0	—
Total Deaths from all Causes	4	149

ARTHUR STANLEY,
Health Officer.

New Buildings.

Plans approved December 28, 1910.

Cad. Lot.	Road.	Name	Description
N. of 7566	No. 57	Chinese	5 native bungalows
W. of 7498	No. 50	do.	3 native bungalows
W. of 3565	Connaught	do.	3 native bungalows

Public Band

Public Performances.—The attendance on Sunday, January 1, numbered 495.

The programme for Sunday next, January 8, is as follows:—

1. Overture—"Fra Diavolo" Auber
2. (*a*) "Ave Maria"
   (*b*) "Spring Song" Gounod
3. Selection—"Faust" Gounod

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4. Overture—"Oberon" Weber
5. Symphonic Poem—"Ultava" Smetana
6. Selection—"The Bartered Bride" Smetana

Conductor, Professor BUCK.

Proceedings at the Mixed Court.

During the week ending December 31, 1910:—

APPREHENSIONS.	Male	Female
Assault	8	1
Breach of Municipal Regulations	5	
Garbage	19	
Traffic	346	1
Nuisance	268	
Burglary	6	
Civil Offences	16	1
Cruelty to Children		1
Cutting and Wounding ...	1	
False Pretences...	3	
Fighting and creating a disturbance	25	
Gambling	1	
Housebreaking	8	
Insanity...	1	1
Kidnapping	2	4
Larceny	85	3
Loitering	3	
Soliciting prostitution ...		3
Receiving stolen property ...	3	
Returning from expulsion ...	6	
Trafficking in females... ...	3	3
Attempted suicide	2	
Unlawful possession	11	
Vagrancy	7	
Publishing obscene matter ...	1	
Murder	2	
Staging obscene theatricals ...	1	
Miscellaneous cases	3	5
TOTAL...	836	23

PUNISHMENTS AND DECISIONS.	Male	Female
Imprisonment	103	9
Imprisonment and Cangue ...	1	
Imprisonment and expulsion ...	18	3
Detained in Court	1	
Fined	34	
Bail Forfeited	629	1
Reformatory	2	
Dismissed	10	2
Released on Security	4	2
Left to Court	14	
Handed to Parents(or) Guardians	1	
Sent to Sinza Refuge	9	1
Sent to Door of Hope		2
Sent to Native Authorities ...	9	3
Settled out of Court	1	
TOTAL...	836	23

HOUSE OF DETENTION FOR MALES.

Inmates at the beginning of week ...	98
Received during the week	11
Released during the week	5
Remaining at the end of the week ...	104

FEMALE WARD.

Inmates at beginning of week... ...	116
Received during the week	16
Released during the week	22
Remaining at the end of the week...	110

SUMMONSES AND WARRANTS.

Summonses issued	9
Warrants issued	13
Summonses served	39
Warrants executed	8

C. D. BRUCE,
Captain-Superintendent of Police.

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